

JS 44 (Rev. 06/17)

CIVIL COVER SHEET

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I. (a) PLAINTIFFS ROMAN GORIVODSKY (b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff <u>BERGEN</u> <i>(EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES)</i> (c) Attorneys (Firm Name, Address, and Telephone Number) Adam S. Barrist, Esq., 215-432-8829 P.O. Box 1820, Media, PA 19063	DEFENDANTS AMAZON LOGISTICS County of Residence of First Listed Defendant _____ <i>(IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY)</i> NOTE: IN LAND CONDEMNATION CASES, USE THE LOCATION OF THE TRACT OF LAND INVOLVED. Attorneys (If Known) _____
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II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (Place an "X" in One Box Only)	III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (Place an "X" in One Box for Plaintiff and One Box for Defendant)																
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IV. NATURE OF SUIT (Place an "X" in One Box Only)		Click here for: Nature of Suit Code Descriptions.		
CONTRACT	TORTS	FORFEITURE/PENALTY	BANKRUPTCY	OTHER STATUTES
<input type="checkbox"/> 110 Insurance <input type="checkbox"/> 120 Marine <input type="checkbox"/> 130 Miller Act <input type="checkbox"/> 140 Negotiable Instrument <input type="checkbox"/> 150 Recovery of Overpayment & Enforcement of Judgment <input type="checkbox"/> 151 Medicare Act <input type="checkbox"/> 152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loans (Excludes Veterans) <input type="checkbox"/> 153 Recovery of Overpayment of Veteran's Benefits <input type="checkbox"/> 160 Stockholders' Suits <input type="checkbox"/> 190 Other Contract <input type="checkbox"/> 195 Contract Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 196 Franchise	PERSONAL INJURY <input type="checkbox"/> 310 Airplane <input type="checkbox"/> 315 Airplane Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 320 Assault, Libel & Slander <input type="checkbox"/> 330 Federal Employers' Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 340 Marine <input type="checkbox"/> 345 Marine Product Liability <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 350 Motor Vehicle <input type="checkbox"/> 355 Motor Vehicle Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 360 Other Personal Injury <input type="checkbox"/> 362 Personal Injury - Medical Malpractice PERSONAL INJURY <input type="checkbox"/> 365 Personal Injury - Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 367 Health Care/ Pharmaceutical Personal Injury Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 368 Asbestos Personal Injury Product Liability PERSONAL PROPERTY <input type="checkbox"/> 370 Other Fraud <input type="checkbox"/> 371 Truth in Lending <input type="checkbox"/> 380 Other Personal Property Damage <input type="checkbox"/> 385 Property Damage Product Liability	<input type="checkbox"/> 625 Drug Related Seizure of Property 21 USC 881 <input type="checkbox"/> 690 Other LABOR <input type="checkbox"/> 710 Fair Labor Standards Act <input type="checkbox"/> 720 Labor/Management Relations <input type="checkbox"/> 740 Railway Labor Act <input type="checkbox"/> 751 Family and Medical Leave Act <input type="checkbox"/> 790 Other Labor Litigation <input type="checkbox"/> 791 Employee Retirement Income Security Act IMMIGRATION <input type="checkbox"/> 462 Naturalization Application <input type="checkbox"/> 465 Other Immigration Actions	<input type="checkbox"/> 422 Appeal 28 USC 158 <input type="checkbox"/> 423 Withdrawal 28 USC 157 PROPERTY RIGHTS <input type="checkbox"/> 820 Copyrights <input type="checkbox"/> 830 Patent <input type="checkbox"/> 835 Patent - Abbreviated New Drug Application <input type="checkbox"/> 840 Trademark SOCIAL SECURITY <input type="checkbox"/> 861 HIA (1395ff) <input type="checkbox"/> 862 Black Lung (923) <input type="checkbox"/> 863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g)) <input type="checkbox"/> 864 SSID Title XVI <input type="checkbox"/> 865 RSI (405(g)) FEDERAL TAX SUITS <input type="checkbox"/> 870 Taxes (U.S. Plaintiff or Defendant) <input type="checkbox"/> 871 IRS—Third Party 26 USC 7609	<input type="checkbox"/> 375 False Claims Act <input type="checkbox"/> 376 Qui Tam (31 USC 3729(a)) <input type="checkbox"/> 400 State Reapportionment <input type="checkbox"/> 410 Antitrust <input type="checkbox"/> 430 Banks and Banking <input type="checkbox"/> 450 Commerce <input type="checkbox"/> 460 Deportation <input type="checkbox"/> 470 Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations <input type="checkbox"/> 480 Consumer Credit <input type="checkbox"/> 490 Cable/Sat TV <input type="checkbox"/> 850 Securities/Commodities/Exchange <input type="checkbox"/> 890 Other Statutory Actions <input type="checkbox"/> 891 Agricultural Acts <input type="checkbox"/> 893 Environmental Matters <input type="checkbox"/> 895 Freedom of Information Act <input type="checkbox"/> 896 Arbitration <input type="checkbox"/> 899 Administrative Procedure Act/Review or Appeal of Agency Decision <input type="checkbox"/> 950 Constitutionality of State Statutes
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V. ORIGIN (Place an "X" in One Box Only)							
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 Original Proceeding	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 Removed from State Court	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 Remanded from Appellate Court	<input type="checkbox"/> 4 Reinstated or Reopened	<input type="checkbox"/> 5 Transferred from Another District (specify)	<input type="checkbox"/> 6 Multidistrict Litigation - Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> 8 Multidistrict Litigation - Direct File	

VI. CAUSE OF ACTION	Cite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing (Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity): <u>28 U.S.C §1332</u> Brief description of cause: <u>Motor vehicle collision in Cliffside Park, NJ.</u>
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VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT:	<input type="checkbox"/> CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION UNDER RULE 23, F.R.Cv.P.	DEMAND \$ <u>In excess of \$150,000.00</u>	CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint: JURY DEMAND: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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VIII. RELATED CASE(S) IF ANY	(See instructions): JUDGE _____ DOCKET NUMBER _____
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DATE <u>05/13/2022</u>	SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD <u>/s/ ASB3587</u>
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JURISDICTION AND VENUE

3. Jurisdiction is conferred pursuant to 28 U.S.C §1332 as Plaintiff is a citizen, resident and domiciliary of the State of New Jersey and Defendant has a principal place of business in, place of incorporation in and citizenship of the State of Georgia.
4. There is, therefore, complete diversity between all Plaintiffs and all Defendants.
5. The amount in controversy exceeds the sum of \$75,000.00, exclusive of interest, fees and costs.
6. Venue is proper in this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b)(1) and (2), as the personal injuries that are the subject of this litigation occurred in Cliffside Park, NJ, within this District.

FACTS

7. On February 22, 2021, Mr. Gorivodsky was severely injured when Alberto Palma-Perez (“Mr. Palma-Perez”), while in the course and scope of employment with Amazon, negligently struck Mr. Gorivodsky’s vehicle from behind while Mr. Gorivodsky was stopped at a stop sign on Crescent Lane near the intersection with Railroad Avenue in Cliffside Park, NJ.
8. Such violent collision caused Mr. Gorivodsky to a) sustain the permanent injuries described below, that have caused his body to not heal or function normally with further medical treatment; and b) suffer significant financial harm.

COUNT ONE – NEGLIGENCE

9. Plaintiff incorporates, by reference, the foregoing paragraphs, as though set forth fully herein.
10. As the direct and proximate cause of Defendant’s negligence as stated above, Mr.

Gorivodsky has suffered severe permanent physical injury, disfigurement and financial loss.

11. The injuries that Mr. Gorivodsky has sustained are permanent in nature. Mr. Gorivodsky has suffered great physical and mental pain and anguish, and in all reasonable probability, will continue to suffer in this manner for a long time in the future, if not for the balance of his natural life.
12. As a further result of the above negligent acts committed by Defendant, Mr. Gorivodsky has incurred and will continue to incur substantial medical expenses for medical care and attention and will continue to incur additional medical expenses into the foreseeable future.
13. As a further result of the above negligent acts committed by Defendant, Mr. Gorivodsky has incurred and will continue to incur substantial financial harm due to vehicular property damage.
14. In addition, Mr. Gorivodsky has suffered other economic injury and will likely continue to suffer such economic injury.
15. Defendant, vicariously, through its agent/employee/authorized representative, Mr. Palma-Perez, operated its vehicle in such a careless and/or negligent manner as to have caused the aforesaid collision to occur.
16. Defendant had a duty to Mr. Gorivodsky to not employ individuals who would operate its vehicle in such a careless and/or negligent manner.
17. Defendant breached said duty, as set forth below.
18. As a direct and proximate result of the aforesaid acts, omissions, carelessness and/or negligence on the part of Defendant, Mr. Gorivodsky suffered severe personal injuries; has been and will be in the future, made to endure great pain and suffering, both physical and mental in nature, has been and will be in the future required to expend great sums of money

for medical services; has been and will be in the future prevented from attending to his regular activities, duties and responsibilities; has been and will in the future be made to suffer lost earnings and other pecuniary loss.

19. The aforesaid accident was caused by the negligence and/or carelessness of Defendant because it, itself, and/or, vicariously, through its agent/employee/authorized representative, Mr. Palma-Perez:

- a) Failed to keep its vehicle under control at all relevant times;
- b) Caused its vehicle to be driven at an excessive speed under the circumstances;
- c) Violated the Assured Clear Distance Ahead Rule;
- d) Disregarded traffic signals and signs;
- e) Failed to keep a proper lookout;
- f) Violently struck Plaintiff's vehicle from behind;
- g) Was driving in distracted fashion;
- h) Negligently hired Mr. Palma-Perez;
- i) Negligently trained Mr. Palma-Perez;
- j) Negligently caused/forced Mr. Palma-Perez to drive its vehicle when she was in an unfit physical and/or mental condition to do so;
- k) Caused its vehicle to be in an unsafe condition; and
- l) Otherwise failed to exercise due care under the circumstances.

20. As the result of the above-referenced accident, Mr. Gorivodsky suffered painful and serious injuries, including, but not limited to:

- a) disc herniation at C5-C6;
- b) right wrist TFC tear;
- c) sinus tarsi syndrome with ligamentous damage;

- d) C5-C6 and L5 radiculopathy;
 - e) other radiculopathy;
 - f) cervicalgia;
 - g) nerve damage throughout his body;
 - h) strains, sprains, disc bulges and disc herniations throughout his body, the extent of which is presently unknown;
 - i) torn ligaments and tendons throughout his body, the extent of which is presently unknown;
 - j) head injuries, the extent of which is presently unknown; and
 - k) emotional harm, the extent of which is presently unknown.
21. As a result of such accident, Mr. Gorivodsky has incurred medical expenses and will continue to incur said medical expenses for an indefinite time into the future.
22. As a result of such accident, Mr. Gorivodsky has incurred unreimbursed property loss/damages and will continue to incur said expenses for an indefinite time into the future.
23. As a result of such accident, Mr. Gorivodsky suffered grievous pain and suffering and may continue to suffer same for an indefinite time into the future.
24. As a result of such accident, Mr. Gorivodsky has suffered lost wages, and will suffer a loss of future earnings capacity.
25. As a further result of such accident, Mr. Gorivodsky has suffered and will continue to suffer a loss of life's pleasures.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, Roman Gorivodsky, demands judgment against the Defendant, Amazon Logistics, in an amount in excess of \$150,000.00, plus costs, fees and whatever additional relief that this Honorable Court deems just and appropriate.

THE BARRIST FIRM, LLC

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Date: May 13, 2022

